

Philad<sup>e</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> w<sup>t</sup> 1804

Dear friend

Yours of the 1<sup>st</sup> only came to hand today & I hasten to send you what I can of my samples. Most of them are taken off by persons who buy the goods & the best of those that are left my wife has taken possession of for a quiet sit down, only a few inferior ones to be decided between your fair sons, but such as they are you can have. I have no doubt your ingenuity will find room for them. As there is no duty paid on samples of goods, people will not hesitate to buy them because they are foreign.

Being in the height of business I hardly have time to enjoy the progress that I see on cause is making. but the last Literator was such a treat that I could not put it down until I read all in Editorial type. How Mendell does scratch!

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Since writing the preceding on Ex com<sup>o</sup> has had a meeting remaine together until 11 o'clock at night discussing the question whether Liberty party shew use on office ton agent for the publication of its paper. I am happy to add that for once we acted independently & refused their proposal. We are in the midst of conflict of personal encounters (not with fists) and going through the scenes you witnessed some years back. I hope he may have come to sacrifice all personal considerations for the cause.

Take the ground that 3<sup>o</sup> party is hostile to our Soc. & in finding no few with me, for they say there 3<sup>o</sup> party men are found here. Brother Wm to, I recollect the little feeling let prevalence was the close of our meeting in Dec. It was a fatal step they took in embracing 3<sup>o</sup> party as they did then. For years our Soc has been Mongrel. ~~If~~ one party has

counteract the influence of the other states a  
consequence we have been standing still.

I have not time to tell you how ultra  
I feel about Lib.-party.

Can't you come on here & spend  
a month or two? Will Abby Kelley  
come, the fact is she must. We are  
in a critical situation & we must  
have help. New England does not  
know what an ~~open~~ interesting field  
we have to labor in.

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